

**Update on Transitioned Level I Education Specialist
Credential Programs
Professional Services Division
October, 2011**

Overview of this Report

This agenda item presents information on the number of Education Specialist credential programs that have transitioned from the Level I Credential standards to the Preliminary Education Specialist Credential standards. This item is presented to inform the COA and the public about the status of approved programs that have transitioned from the previous standards to the new.

Staff Recommendation

This is an information item only.

Background

Revised Education Specialist and Other Related Services Credential standards were adopted by the Commission between December 2008 and January 2010. All Level I Education Specialist Credential programs were required to transition to the revised program standards between January 1, 2010 and September 30, 2011. Candidates have until January 31, 2013 to complete the Level I Credential program.

The six specialty areas that transitioned from the Level I Credential standards to the Preliminary Credential standards are:

Mild/Moderate Disabilities (M/M)	Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing (DHH)
Moderate/Severe Disabilities (M/S)	Physical and Health Impairments (PHI)
Early Childhood Special Education (ECSE)	Visual Impairments (VI)

Additionally, regulations were approved for two special education services credentials:
Clinical or Rehabilitative Services in Orientation and Mobility
Clinical or Rehabilitative Services in Audiology

Institutions offering these programs also had until September 30, 2011 to transition to the new standards.

The Transition Process

Sixty days prior to beginning the new program, program sponsors were required to submit a 2 – 3 page plan for modifying their Level I programs that included a response to the following two questions:

Question 1. Please describe the process your program engaged in to address the modified standards.

Question 2. Describe the changes that your program will be making to your courses and field experiences to address the modified standards. Please also provide your timeline for implementing your newly revised courses and field experiences.

In September 2011 Professional Services staff contacted the few institutions that had not submitted a transition plan and asked the status of their programs. All institutions in the state that previously offered a Level 1 Education Specialist credential program that are offering, or plan to offer, the Preliminary Education Specialist program are accounted for in Table 1 in Appendix A of this item. Table 2 identifies those institutions that have transitioned their services credential programs to the new program standards.

Additional Title 5 Regulations

Title 5 Regulations related to Special Education Added Authorizations in Adapted Physical Education, Early Childhood Special Education and Resource Specialist (RS) and the Speech and Language Pathology (SLP), including the Special Class Authorization (SCA) were approved by the Office of Administrative Law and became effective July 20, 2011. Institutions will have until 2012 to transition to the new APE, SLP, RS and SLP programs.

Next Steps

Programs that have transitioned from the Level I Credential program standards to the Preliminary Credential standards and the services credential standards need to begin the Program Assessment process after one year of implementation of the program under the currently adopted standards. This timeframe allows institutions an opportunity to refine their implementation of the new program such that their program document more accurately reflects the program being offered. Since many institutions transitioned their programs in fall 2010, many institutions have already submitted their program documents for Program Assessment. Other institutions plan to begin the Program Assessment between now and fall, 2012.

Appendix A

Table 1: Education Specialist Preliminary Teaching Programs
October 2011

	MM	MS	ECSE	DHH	VI	PHI	Transition Date
California State University Programs							
Bakersfield	X	X					1/2011
Channel Islands	X						8/2010
Chico	X	X					9/2010
Dominguez Hills	X	X	X				1/2011
East Bay	X	X					6/2011
Fresno	X	X		X			1/2011
Fullerton	X	X	X				1/2010
Humboldt	X	X					9/2010
Long Beach	X	X					8/2010
Los Angeles (O& M)	X	X	X		X	X	6/2010
Monterey Bay	X	X					5/2011
Northridge	X	X	X	X			5/2010
Pomona	X	X					9/2011
Sacramento	X	X	X				9/2010
San Bernardino	X	X	X				1/2010
San Diego State (Audiology, O & M)	X	X	X				9/2011
San Francisco State	X	X	X		X	X	8/2010
San Jose State (Audiology)	X	X	X	X			8/2010
San Luis Obispo	X						9/2010
San Marcos	X	X					1/2011
Sonoma State	X	X					8/2010
Stanislaus	X	X					1/2011
University of California Programs							
UCLA	X						1/2010
UCR	X	X					8/2011
UCSB		X					1/2010
UCSD				X			8/2011
Private College and University Programs							
Alliant International University	X						9/2011
Antioch-Los Angeles	X						7/2011
Antioch- Santa Barbara	X						8/2010
Azusa Pacific University	X	X					1/2010

	MM	MS	ECSE	DHH	VI	PHI	Transition
Brandman University	X	X					8/2010
California Baptist University	X	X					9/2010
California Lutheran University	X	X		X			9/2010
Chapman University	X	X					9/2010
Claremont Graduate University	X	X					1/2011
Dominican University	X						8/2010
Fresno Pacific University	X	X	X			X	8/2011
Holy Names College	X						8/2010
Loyola Marymount University	X						1/2010
Mills College			X				9/2011
Mount St. Mary's College	X						8/2010
National Hispanic University	X						8/2011
National University	X	X		X			1/2011
Notre Dame de Namur University	X	X					9/2010
Pacific Oaks College	X						8/2011
Point Loma Nazarene University	X	X					1/2011
St. Mary's College	X						6/2010
Touro University	X	X					1/2010
University of La Verne	X						9/2011
University of San Diego	X			X			8/2010
University of San Francisco	X						6/2010
University of the Pacific	X	X					1/2011
District and County Office of Education Programs							
Mt Diablo USD (Fortune School of Education)	X						9/2011
LAUSD	X	X					7/2011
Oakland USD	X	X					2/2010
Orange County Department of Education	X	X					2/2010
San Joaquin COE (Project Impact)	X	X	X				1/2010
Stanislaus County Office of Education	X	X					9/2010

Table 2: Special Education Services Credential Programs
October 2011

California State University Programs			
Institution	Orientation and Mobility	Audiology	Transition
Los Angeles	X		11/2010
San Francisco State	X	X	9/2010
San Jose State		X	7/2010